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Please amend the claims as follows (this listing replaces all prior listings):

(currently amended) A method of configuring communications over a network 1. comprising:

connecting a device to the a network hub;

receiving data on the device from the network hub, including receiving information about a speed at which the network hub is transmitting data;

configuring the device for a communication mode, from a plurality of possible communication modes, wherein the communication mode includes transferring data between the device and the network simultaneously in time to communicate with the network hub in a half duplex mode;

transferring data between the device and the network hub based on the communication in the half duplex mode using a transmission speed determined based on the received information about the speed at which the network hub is transmitting data;

determining whether the data has been properly transferred between the device and the network hub in the half duplex mode;

if the data has not been properly transferred between the device and the network hub, configuring the device to communicate with the network hub in a full duplex mode, and transferring data between the device and the network hub in the full duplex mode using the transmission speed; and

determining whether to retain the device in the communication in the full duplex mode.

- 2-3. (cancelled)
- (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the network comprises an Ethernet network. 4.
- (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the device comprises a medium access controller.